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Please Note:

New vendors and subcontractors must supply all of the required paperwork (Solicitation Mailing List Application, SF-129, Appendix I, Financial Statement, and 3 Reference Letters) one week prior to bid opening (August 5, 2003) or your company may be considered non-responsible.

FV-201

Fruit and Vegetable Programs

Date Issued: July 21, 2003

Frozen Fruit, Announcement FV-201, Invitation 074

The Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell Frozen Fruit as indicated below and per the Announcement for use in the school lunch and other domestic food assistance programs. **Offers are due by 1 p.m., Central Time, Tuesday, August 5, 2003.** Acceptances will be announced by midnight August 14, 2003. Deliveries are to be made from September 16, 2003 through November 15, 2003.

Offers are invited from the trade for:

Frozen Freestone (Sliced) Peaches	20 lb.	9,500 cases
*Frozen Freestone (Diced) Peaches	96/4.4 oz. cups	35,000 cases

- *Manufacturer's own commercially packaged and labeled product is acceptable, as long as it meets all of the requirements of the Food and Drug Administration and contains an identification code that allows for traceability of the product.*
- *All invitations with orders for the state of New York, must have the pack date stamped on the outside of each carton. The pack date should be annotated as per the following example: (05/01/2003). Orders for the state of New York requiring the special marking will be indicated by (**). This applies to New York orders "Only," if and when they appear on an invitation.*
- *No offer will be made to 8(a) vendors on this invitation other than the 8(a) vendor who has an IDIQ contract for this commodity.*
- *On "BKLYN/CEN ISLIP NY" destinations, shippers are instructed to call the contact person on the Notice to Deliver first prior to making an appointment, so that they can be directed to which warehouse they will ship the product.*



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Bids must be submitted electronically via the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) on the Internet. Offerors who submit bids using other than DEBES, will be deemed non-responsive. Offeror must be assigned a Logon ID by USDA to access the site. The Internet address is: <http://pcsd.usda.gov/debes> which translates into a connection of <https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?> Once connected, follow the online procedures. A 'HELP' button provides detailed instructions for using the system or call 202-720-4517 for assistance.

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. Inquiries about Announcement FV-201, Appendix-1, the Commodity Specification for Frozen Fruit dated June 1999, as amended, or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0239, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20090-9410, telephone (202) 720-4517. An electronic version of this invitation can be obtained through the World Wide Web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp>.

Purchases will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement FV-201, to the listed locations. Delivery by trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

***COMMODITY SPECIFICATIONS FOR:**

Frozen Freestone Peaches in Individual Serving Size

1. Grade: U.S. Grade B or better, except for U.S. Grade A for defects.
2. Style: Diced (3/8 to 1/2 inch)
3. Variety: "Yellow Freestone"
4. Individual Net Weight: 4.4 ounces per cup. 96 cups per case.
5. Size of Primary Container: Individual portion serving cups.
6. Pack Formula: Shall be either:
 - a. The pack ratio must be 11.5 + 1 by weight, fruit to packing media ratio; where the packing media is sugar, corn syrup, ascorbic acid or citric acid added to juice.
 - b. The pack ratio must be 4 + 1 by weight fruit to packing media ratio; where the packing media is a 45° Brix syrup composed of peach puree, sugar, ascorbic acid and citric acid.
7. There shall be No cooked product of any kind used.

ANNOUNCEMENT : FV201
INVITATION : 074
COMM GROUP : 31 FRUIT, FROZEN
COMM TYPE : 10 PEACHES, FREESTONE, SLICED, FRZ
PACK SIZE : 20 20 LB CTN

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)
DELIVERY PERIOD 09/16/03 - 09/30/03					
001	AMERICUS	GA	TRUCK ONLY	950	_____
	DOUGLAS	GA	TRUCK ONLY	950	_____
002	SALT LAKE CITY	UT	TRUCK ONLY	1,900	_____
003	CLOVIS	CA	TRUCK ONLY	3,800	_____
004	SACRAMENTO	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,900	_____
TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE				9,500	

COMM TYPE : 13 PEACHES, FREESTONE, DICED, FRZ
PACK SIZE : 20 96/4.4 OZ CUP

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DELIVERY PERIOD 09/16/03 - 09/30/03					
005	ASHLAND	VA	TRUCK ONLY	182	_____
	DANVILLE	VA	TRUCK ONLY	560	_____
	SUFFOLK	VA	TRUCK ONLY	658	_____
006	BARTOW	FL		1,400	_____
007	MIAMI PLANTATIO	FL		2,800	_____
008	WINTER HAVEN	FL		1,400	_____

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009	LAKELAND	FL	TRUCK ONLY	700	_____
	WINTER HAVEN	FL		700	_____
010	ATLANTA	GA		591	_____
	DOUGLAS	GA	TRUCK ONLY	809	_____
011	CREEDMOOR	NC	TRUCK ONLY	1,400	_____
012	GOLDSBORO	NC	TRUCK ONLY	1,400	_____
013	SALISBURY	NC	TRUCK ONLY	1,400	_____
014	FORT MILL	SC	TRUCK ONLY	786	_____
	SUMTER	SC		614	_____
015	ELMIRA	MI		1,400	_____
016	LITTLE ROCK	AR	TRUCK ONLY	1,400	_____
017	MCALESTER	OK		1,400	_____
018	PHOENIX	AZ	TRUCK ONLY	1,400	_____
019	LOS ANGELES	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,400	_____
020	POMONA	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,400	_____
021	SACRAMENTO	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,400	_____
022	VERNON	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,400	_____

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023	KALAMAZOO	MI	TRUCK ONLY	1,400	_____
DELIVERY PERIOD 11/01/03 - 11/15/03					
024	ALTOONA	PA	TRUCK ONLY	1,400	_____
025	SUNBURY	PA	TRUCK ONLY	1,400	_____
026	PHILADELPHIA	PA	TRUCK ONLY	700	_____
	WILKES-BARRE	PA	TRUCK ONLY	700	_____
027	GRANITE CITY	IL		2,800	_____

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 35,000

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR INVITATION 44,500


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 Contracting Officer

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